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OUTER JOIN TRANSLATOR METHOD, SYSTEM, ARTICLE OF

MANUFACTURE, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper is submitted in response to a second non-final office action in the above case dated May 21, 2007 in which the Examiner rejected all the claims as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. Applicants traverse the prior art rejections and submit that all pending claims 1-16 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

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